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Using a Placement Tool  
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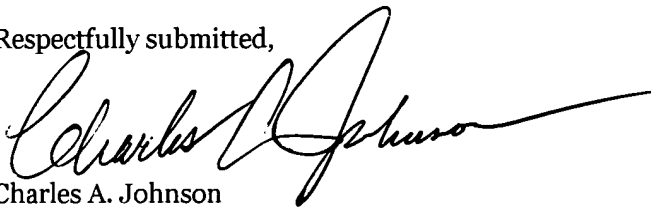
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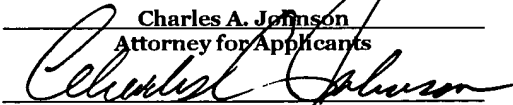
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14        identifying an alignment axis; and  
15        aligning selected ones of the identified leaf cells in the direction of the alignment  
16        axis, wherein the aligning step puts the selected identified leaf cells into a predetermined  
17        order along the alignment axis.

1            30.    (Original)    A method according to claim 29, wherein the aligning step  
2        orders the selected identified leaf cells in accordance with the ordered bits of the vectored  
3        net.

1            31.    (Original)    A method according to claim 29, wherein the aligning step  
2        orders the selected identified leaf cells in reverse of the ordered bits of the vectored net.

1            32.    (Original)    A method according to claim 29, wherein each of the  
2        identified leaf cells is associated with one of the ordered bits of the vectored net, and the  
3        identified leaf cells for each ordered bit has one source leaf cell and at least one  
4        destination leaf cell, the aligning step putting the source leaf cells into a predetermined  
5        order along the alignment axis, and putting the at least one destination leaf cell adjacent  
6        the corresponding source leaf cell along an axis that is perpendicular to the alignment  
7        axis.

1            33.    (Original)    A data processing system for selecting cells in a circuit  
2        design database, the circuit design database having one or more levels of hierarchy  
3        including one or more logic functions composed of one or more other logic functions